

CORRESPONDENCE.

Hartford.

G. C. Carpenter was in town the first of the week.

The roof of the tile kiln burned off last Tuesday morning.

Miss Crager has sold her livery to Oscar Manley for \$1,000.

The Baptists will hold a social at Freeman Stove's next Friday evening.

Barnes & Clark shipped another car load of tile to Fenwick, last week.

Cider apples are being shipped from here to western parties, by the car load.

The camp-fire was not as brilliant a success as could have been wished for.

Mr. Phillips and wife of Paw Paw, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Hinkley.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pritchard of Paw Paw, have been visiting friends in town.

The concert at the Congregational church last Friday evening, was a very fine affair.

The elder mill company is filling a contract for Chicago parties and has been compelled to turn away some local custom.

Waverly.

Tip Streator will put up a wind mill this fall.

An auction at the Fox estate this week, also one at Plin Erwin's.

Mrs. Craver has been visiting, during the past week, at her son's in Gobleville.

Willis Carter has rented his farm for a term of three years, to Chas. Shepard.

Mrs. Laura Armstrong could not stand the pressure in Waverly, and has returned to her home at Cadillac.

John Banker has sold his half of the Banker property to George for \$450. Geo. thinks he is equal to a Vanderbilt now.

Dora Vallean wants some one to put up a saw mill on forty acres of timber which he has, and he will stock it and take half the lumber.

Chas. Baker has been laying out the \$100, voted by this town, to gravel the road south of Plumb Hill. The gravel was clay, but probably the best that could be had. It will, no doubt, make a good road, at least much better than that deep sand.

It seems pitiful that a poor, hard working man, whose family needs every cent he can earn, will go to Paw Paw and spend his money for whisky, and what he has left, to pay for a night's lodging in jail. Don't carry temperance into politics!

Several farmers were caught with their clover seed out, and the past week's rain has been very discouraging to them. Perhaps, in regard to clover seed this fall, farmers are not to blame for being behind, but many of them are slow to use the fair weather in early fall.

Keeler.

One day of sunshine last week.

Miss Mamie Bartholomew is improving in health.

Walter Cook and his sister Edna are on the sick list.

A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wild died of diphtheria on the 2d inst.

P. P. Sykes went to Chicago last Thursday with 300 barrels of apples.

John Austin, who was sick all last winter, has quite recovered his health.

Mrs. Joseph Conkling has returned, and her husband is again happy.

Albert Hurlbut has moved his family into the Wm. Rider House, at the Center.

Geo. Lee has moved his family from Lawrence to his farm, west of the Center.

School in the Belt district has been closed, and will not be re-opened until diphtheria has subsided.

The funeral sermon of Wm. Rider, deceased last December, was preached Sunday morning, by Elder Gosling.

We heartily endorse the article "Is it any of my business?" in last week's Decatur Register by B. G. Buell. When men like Mr. B. put such sentiments into practice, liquor must go.

Dr. Bartholomew and L. E. Buck have been disposed of, religiously, by the different newspapers throughout the state, but town talk says they are all wrong; at least in the Dr.'s case, the present indications being in favor of the Baptists. There is one impediment however; water is plenty, but how to "duck" him is an open question; to build a derrick would be too expensive. A suitable reward will be given to any one who can solve the problem.

Gobleville.

Mr. Sherwood now occupies the Blake house.

Geo. and Geo. are shipping hogs, paying \$2.75 per hundred cwt.

Without joking, Gobleville needs a bank. Parties wishing to start one will find this a good location.

Lill Goble has got his parents' affairs settled in such a shape that he wants a purchaser for the old Goble farm.

We noticed Henry Jennings of Antwerp, on our streets last week, but failed to find out his business. Post us next time, Hank.

Millspaugh has sent his basket machinery back here, and it is expected it will be put in operation under the supervision of E. H. Howard.

Our freight house is piled full of apples, which makes it quite inconvenient for those shipping goods. An addition on the west end would be a good thing.

Dr. DeVere says he has a fine location picked out in Batavia, N. Y., where he can step right into business, and that he will shortly remove there. We wish him success.

Clover seed is bringing from \$5.00 to \$5.10 per bushel. One man, who came in early Saturday morning, received \$5.20 because the buyer wanted it posted. Van was out about \$3.00.

Mrs. Al. Smith died last week Wednesday evening, of dropsy. She left a babe three weeks old. Services were held at the church Friday, at eleven o'clock, by Elder Lewis. She was buried at the Robinson Cemetery. Mr. Ball of Paw Paw, officiated as undertaker.

Thirty years ago, Mary Brown of this place, bought scrip of John Lawrence, who claimed to be a direct heir of the Lawrence Townley estate, and was then trying to prove his claim, which called for \$1,200. He died before making his proof and now Mate, who still has the scrip, hopes the heirs of John Lawrence will make it good. We hope so too.

Last week, a three hundred pound hog got away from the drovers and meandered into G. W. Bush's home lot and, being pursued, made a dash for his cellar window and went through sash, glass and all, falling some seven feet, to the bottom. There being no door gangway the question was how to eject him. Finally by the use of planks and tackles, he was hauled out.

Elder W. is quite a financier. Going to Geo. A. Bush, he enquired if he was buying hogs. Geo. said "Yes, have you any to sell?" "Yes," said the Elder, "I have two; I wish you would let me have five dollars on them, and I will drive them up when you ship." Geo. handed over the money and notified the Elder when he wanted them. It turned out he had no hogs at all. George thinks it a good joke.

Lige Bohlan living north of this place, who, two or three months ago, had his arm broken, by a kick from a horse, has gone crazy. He appears rational at intervals, but has to have watchers all the time. He bruised his wife up quite severely by striking her with a stick of wood and, if help had not been near, would probably have killed her. His wife does not want him confined in jail and the asylum is full, they are in doubt what to do.

We came near having a serious accident at the church last Thursday evening. A rousing fire was started in the stove and the pipe came apart above the upright, falling against the gallery, one section falling from above and narrowly missing the chandelier which was lighted. Prompt use of water prevented a conflagration. In consequence of this accident there was a cold time at church Sunday, the furnace not giving any too much heat.

Lawrence.

Charley Evans moved to Decatur last Monday.

Dr. O. B. Wiggins is our new postmaster—so they say.

A new daughter at Allie Mentor's; whereat, we suppose, their hearts rejoice.

Tink Hills has purchased the house and lot that belonged to old Mr. King.

Fred Doyno and Will Hills have returned from their hunting trip to Wisconsin. We hear them talk about a half dozen slaughtered deer.

The editor of the Times must think his readers are graduates of a first class guessing school. His conundrums are quite too much for us. We give it up.

Some wild "varmint" has been making havoc among Mr. Tillou's poultry, taking thirteen in one night, and about two dozen in all, although he thought them perfectly safe in their comfortable quarters. He has our sympathy.

The Times is disposed to boast of the order and decency of our saloons—three saloons to 800 inhabitants. It took the entire sidewalk, and more too, for one of their customers, the other day. His money probably outlasted both his own decency and that of the saloon men.

PROSPECT LAKE.

Irvin Plopper has moved back to Iowa.

School closed last Friday. The winter term will commence on Monday the 23rd.

D. S. Bacon has bought the forty acre farm adjoining him on the north, for which he pays \$1,310.

Mrs. Sarah Spooner and Mrs. Mary Shepherd of Calhoun county, are visiting their sister, Mrs. Frank Chase.

Decatur.

C. V. Rynyan is laid up with rheumatism. Who shall be our next postmaster, is still an unsolved problem.

Mrs. Houghtaling is dangerously ill and not expected to recover.

Clarence Coleman of Dowagiac, spent Sunday with his mother and sister.

John White has had two shocks of paralysis and is in a very feeble condition.

Wm. Trowbridge is having his barn on the place occupied by Mr. Fisher reshingled.

Rev. A. N. Alcott will preach at the Universalist church next Sunday, morning and evening.

An eight pound boy at Clint. Searles'. Clint says he has come to take charge of the postoffice.

The cutting of the large maple tree in front of Mr. J. Potts' residence, removes an old land mark.

Mrs. Lee Cadwell has gone to join her husband in Northern Michigan, where they intend to make their future residence.

There will be a meeting of Burnside Post, G. A. R., on Saturday the 14th inst. All members of the order are cordially invited to attend.

Trowbridge & Co. have placed a very convenient arrangement in the back part of their store, for the purpose of exhibiting their wall paper and window curtains.

Alfred Hope, who lives on B. O'Dell's farm, thinks he has raised the best bean crop of the season. He had an average of twenty-seven bushels per acre, and sold them, right from the machine, for a dollar a bushel. Who can beat it?

While George Hubbard was working in the buggy box factory, he had his arm terribly lacerated, by the breakage of the planer, the knife striking him and completely severing one of the bones of the forearm. He is doing as well as could be expected.

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Washtenaw county apples are being shipped to England, where they command good prices.

Those who believe that nature will work off a cough or cold should understand that this is done at the expense of the constitution. Each time this weakens the system, and we all know that the termination of this dangerous practice is a consumptive's grave. Don't take the chances, when a fifty cent bottle of Dr. Bigelow's Positive Cure will safely and promptly cure any recent cough, cold or throat or lung trouble. Buy the dollar bottle of G. W. Longwell for chronic cases or family use.

Henry Ward Beecher had carried the watch stolen from him over 500,000 miles, he says.

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The democratic victory in New York will retire civil service reform from politics for awhile.

After a thorough test Covert & Bartram most positively assert that Acker's English Remedy is the best medicine for Asthma, Croup, Coughs, Whooping Cough, and all Lung Troubles that can be found. Ask them about it, for they fully guarantee it.

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"Tell me, Thomas, how many voyages around the world did Captain Cook make?"

"Three."

"Correct. And on which of those voyages was he killed?"

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The best on earth, can truly be said of Griggs' Glycerine Salve, which is a sure, safe and speedy cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. Sold by G. W. Longwell.

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CHIT-CHAT.

Home Pumpkins.

Central Illinois bids fair to be as famous for its pumpkins as for its corn. George Cook has just gathered from his field, three and a half miles west of Tolono, six pumpkins weighing 512 pounds, the heaviest being 111 pounds. These six specimens all grew on one vine, and are believed to exceed the product of a single seed anywhere in the state.

Broughton's Pumpkin

Still attracts attention. There is no end to the number of guesses. At the present writing, the best guess made is that of R. C. Nash, who guesses one quart of seeds.

Nursery carpets in which the designs represent tales in Mother Goose and fairy lore, are supplements to the pictorial wall papers which have long been supplied to little ones.

Broughton's Carpet-room

Is full of bargains and full of lookers. We are glad to say that most of the latter are buyers as well.

Man has, we read, 240 bones. Woman has 241; she has all that man has, and the bone of contention besides.

What a bewildering variety of patterns and colors in ladies' handkerchiefs one sees this season. The choice of a very fine line of embroidered handkerchiefs, all late novelties, can be had at Broughton's for 25 cents; many of them are really worth double.

Girls in search of materials for crazy-quills are advised to apply to the railroad companies, for they throw away thousands of old ties every year.

A Silk or a Cashmere

Muffler is an article that is almost indispensable to a gentleman from this time on. By the way, either one makes a very acceptable holiday gift. Broughton has a handsome assortment.

The leading colors in gloves for street wear whether of kid, suede, cashmere, or silk, are shades of tan, slate, browns, olives, and grays.

Extra Large

Ladies will find extra sized cloaks at Broughton's.

A dressmaking contest was one of the attractive features of the Pennsylvania state fair.

Children's Scarlet Underwear

In every size made, at Broughton's.

Chenille trimmings are not excluded from the list of fashionable garnitures.

A Good Quality

Of boys' underwear can rarely be found. This season the boys have not been forgotten, as Broughton has all sizes for big and little boys in scarlet as well as Scotch gray.

All dress buttons are small and simple.

Men's Cardigan Jackets.

Also smaller sizes for boys, at Broughton's.

The Variety

Of fur-trimmed cloaks alone makes quite an elaborate display, and every kind is fashionable. Chinchilla, seal, otter, sable, lynx, fox, astrakhan, and beaver, each and all have a place. The lynx and long-haired furs are used in rather narrow bands, but the astrakhan and beaver bands that border cloaks are sometimes fifteen inches deep.

Kid Mittens For Gentlemen

Are so warm and comfortable that they are very popular. Broughton has them in a variety of prices.

Braid is not the least important seasonable garniture, as it is used sometimes in profusion in wide and narrow styles.

Flannel Shirts

For men, with lace fronts, plaited fronts and buttoned fronts in all colors; also extra heavy navy blue yacht cloth for making the above can be found at Broughton's.

We Are

Of the opinion that a finer line of agents' and boys' fur caps than Broughton's will not be seen in Western Michigan.

Daniel Fogg, of Cape Elizabeth, Me., has raised a Hubbard squash which weighs 220 pounds.

Everything

In the way of rubber boots and shoes can be found at Broughton's. High button styles for ladies and misses are very sensible with the prospect of heavy snow storms.

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THE DEEPCUT CLOTHING HALL GREAT SLAUGHTER

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Men's Odd Vests, - 50c. and up
 " " Pants, - 50c. "
 " " Coats, - \$1.00 "
 " " Suits, - \$2.50 "
 All-Wool Scarlet Underwear, - 25c.
 Brown Duck Jumpers, - 25c.

Which we offer till December 15.

These Goods are less than one-half of the actual cost to make. All we ask of the people is, Come in and Examine, and thus save your money. OUR STOCK IS MAMMOTH.

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